CITY OF MEDINA PARK BOARD MEETING

February 9, 2005 7:00 p.m.

Medina City Hall 501 Evergreen Point Road

Call to Order

February 9, 2005, Park Board meeting called to order by Heija Nunn, 7:08 pm.

Roll Call

Present:

Steve Brustkern, Lisa Fleischman, Connie Gerlitz, Roger Ngouenet, Heija Nunn, Karen Sparks, and Susannah Stuart

Staff Present:

Joe Willis, Interim Director of Public Works; Pat Crickmore, Public Works Supervisor; Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant

<u>Minutes</u>

MOTION GERLITZ, SECOND FLEISCHMAN TO APPROVE JANUARY 19, 2005 PARK BOARD MINUTES, UNANIMOUSLY PASSED, 7:09 PM.

Announcements

No announcements.

Audience Participation

No audience participation.

Election of 2005 Chair and Vice-Chair (7:20 pm)

BRUSTKERN NOMINATED GERLITZ, SPARKS SECONDED TO SERVE AS PARK BOARD CHAIR, UNANIMOUSLY PASSED, 7:23 PM.

GERLITZ NOMINATED FLEISCHMAN, BRUSTKERN SECONDED TO SERVE AS PARK BOARD VICE CHAIR, UNANIMOUSLY PASSED 7:24 PM.

Brustkern left meeting, 7:25 pm.

Park Updates (7:25 pm)

Stuart indicated the ground at Medina Park appeared muddy and suggested the grass is in need of attention.

Sparks commented she visited the parks and stated they appeared clean and well-maintained. Sparks remarked, the stairs at Viewpoint Park showed wear, but were not slippery. Nunn agreed.

Nunn questioned if a bench could be installed on the dock at Lake Lane. Gerlitz requested boardmembers visit Lake Lane dock and provide an opinion regarding the new decking.

Gerlitz stated the blackberry and ivy at Fairweather should be maintained more aggressively and inquired if the Indian Trail could continue to the street. Crickmore responded Earth Corps has been hired to control invasive plants and answered the trail would be extended after the ground firms.

Gerlitz requested the holes and dips in paths at Medina Park be repaired. Crickmore indicated work could be performed with existing gravel stored at the shop.

2005 Budget Update (7:32 pm)

Members discussed work projects identified in the 2005 budget. Gerlitz directed Willis to review budget with City Manager, Schulze, and provide a report at next Park Board meeting, identifying an agenda for accomplishing budget items. In addition, Gerlitz indicated she would meet with Schulze and bring results back to the Park Board.

Medina Beach Park Updates (7:42 pm)

Willis said he will meet with consultant from OTAK next Monday to gather project status information and plans to discuss results at February 14th City Council meeting. Gerlitz requested Willis email boardmembers the meeting results. Willis agreed and encouraged replies and comments from the Park Board.

<u>Long-Range Vision and Strategic Planning Document Discussion</u> (7:47 pm)

Nunn requested an addition to the Vision Plan for Medina Beach Park of a small children's interactive play station. Park Board agreed to add it as an improvement under consideration.

Gerlitz suggested removing "REVISED DRAFT" from document.

MOTION STUART, SECOND FLEISCHMAN TO ACCEPT REVISED DOCUMENT, MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, 7:56 PM.

2005 Work Plan (7:57 pm)

Gerlitz indicated she would lead a discussion of the 2005 Work Plan at the next Park Board meeting.

Park Assignments (8:00 pm)

Following discussion, park assignments were as follows:

- Fairweather Nature Preserve: Gerlitz, Ngouenet, Nunn
- Indian Trail: Gerlitz, Ngouenet
- Lake Lane Dock: Nunn. Stuart
- Medina Park: Brustkern, Fleischman, Sparks
- Medina Beach Park: Brustkern, Stuart
- 84th Street Dock: Fleischman, Sparks

Playground Cost Estimates (8:08 pm)

Nunn explained suggestions for playground equipment information, which was provided to boardmembers during January Park Board meeting. Nunn indicated a "galaxy" piece from the playground at Medina Elementary School may become available to the City for free or at a low cost and could be reinstalled safely and according to code.

Discussion followed.

MOTION SPARKS, SECOND STUART, TO TABLE DISCUSSION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT UNTIL SURVEY RESULTS ARE RECEIVED, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 8:33 PM.

Citizen Survey Topics (8:33 pm)

During discussion, the following survey topics were suggested:

- Dog accessibility in off-leash areas at parks (Stuart, Sparks, Ngouenet, Fleischman)
- Playground equipment (Stuart, Sparks)
- Interactive park activities (Stuart)
- View of parks as "passive or active" (Sparks, Fleischman)
- Visions for park usage (Nunn)
- Park aesthetics (Nunn)
- Suggestions/concerns for parks to serve needs of residents (Nunn)
- Tennis court lighting (Ngouenet)
- Community events (Fleischman)

Nunn suggested all Medina citizens should have copies of the Comprehensive Plan, Park Board and Planning Commission Work Plans, and Park Board's Long Range Vision and Strategic Planning document.

Gerlitz offered to compile survey topic recommendations and email boardmembers. Boardmembers agreed to respond to email prior to submission of the proposal to City Manager, Schulze.

Renaming of Fairweather (Park and) Nature Preserve (8:48 pm)

Gerlitz suggested dropping business item from discussion. Crickmore stated the upper gymnasium area provided the previous "park" designation.

City Website (8:51 pm)

Sparks requested park addresses be added to website identifying locations of Medina's parks and also recommended including pictures of all Medina's parks on the city's website.

Adjournment

MOTION SPARKS, SECOND FLEISCHMAN TO ADJOURN FEBRUARY 9, 2005 PARK BOARD MEETING, MOTION UNANIMOUSLY PASSED, 8:52 PM.

February 9, 2005 Park Board meeting adjourned, 8:52 p.m.

The next Park Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 21, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall.
Minutes taken by:
Rachel Baker Administrative Assistant